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CHAN NG SHI.  
Hongkong, September 3, 1902.

BROWN, JONES & CO.,  
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DURING my absence from the Colony and until further notice, Mr. H. W. S. EDMONDS will manage the Business of BROWN, JONES & CO. and Sign the Firm name.  
WM. E. VAN EPS,  
Hongkong, September 2, 1902.

NOTICE.  
HONGKONG PLANTATION COMPANY  
AND  
BROWN JONES & CO.  
While Managing the BUSINESS of BROWN, JONES & CO., as above, I am, at same time, continuing to act as GENERAL MANAGER of the HONGKONG PLANTATION COMPANY.  
H. W. S. EDMONDS.  
Hongkong, September 2, 1902.

NOTICE.  
WE have This Day authorized Mr. L. M. H. BUSHBREE to Sign our Firm at Hongkong and Canton and PRODUCE ON.  
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THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
J. R. CAPELL,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, August 4, 1902.

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1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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A. S. ANTON,  
Acting Clerk of Course,  
Hongkong, August 23, 1902. 1740

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## PROGRAMME FOR THE 1903 MEETING.

## FIRST DAY.

1. Wong-Nai Chong Stakes, Five Furlongs, ... Hongkong Waters
2. Valley Stakes, 3/4 Mile, ... China Griffins
3. Maiden Stakes, 3/4 Mile, ... Water Griffins
4. Victoria Stakes, One Mile, ... China Griffins
5. Pouchow Cup, 2 Mile post once round & in, ... Open Waters
6. Darby, One & a half Mile, ... Water Griffins
7. Lusitano Cup, One Mile, ... China Griffins
8. Club Cup, One & a half Mile, ... China Griffins
9. Encouragement Stakes, One Mile, ... China Griffins
10. Chinese Club Cup, Once round, ... China Griffins

## SECOND DAY.

1. Flyaway Stakes, Seven Furlongs, ... Water Griffins
2. Exchange Plate, 3/4 Mile, ... China Griffins
3. Professional Cup, One & a half Mile, ... Open Waters
4. Genuin Cup, One Mile & a quarter, ... China Griffins
5. Garrison Cup, One Mile, ... Water Griffins
6. Jockey Cup, One Mile, ... China Griffins
7. Great Southern Stakes, 2 Mile post once round & in, ... China Griffins
8. Navy Cup, One & a half Mile, ... Hongkong Waters
9. Hongkong Stakes, One Mile & a half, ... China Griffins
10. Tai Yeuk Fong Cup, Once round, ... China Griffins

## THIRD DAY.

1. Spring Stakes, 2 Mile post once round & in, ... China Griffins
2. Grand Stand Stakes, One Mile, ... and One quarter, ... Water Griffins
3. Challenge Cup, One Mile & three quarters, ... China Griffins
4. Ladies Purse, One Mile, ... Hongkong Waters
5. Blake Challenge Cup, One Mile, ... China Griffins
6. The Purse Cup, One Mile, ... China Griffins
7. Phoenix Stakes, 3/4 Mile, ... Water Griffins
8. Champions, One Mile & a quarter, ... China Griffins
9. Water Champions, One Mile & a quarter, ... Open Waters
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A. S. ANTON,  
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## Intimations.

## THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING AND DYING COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to 15th Instant, both days inclusive.

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## SOLDIERS AS MARKSMEN.

## Lord Roberts insists on Snap Shooting.

Lord Roberts, at Bisley, made a significant speech there on musketry training. He had, he said, been able to consider more fully the experiences of South Africa, and he believed we had arrived at a peculiarly important stage in the history of Army marksmanship.

He praised what had been done by rifle associations. 'But I venture to think,' he said, 'that we are not quite up to date, and should now determine whether the class of shooting at these meetings is in all respects the best suited to the conditions of modern warfare, and whether it may not be necessary to make some radical change.'

We have learned that fire discipline can be insisted upon to such an extent that it leaves no room for intelligent independent action, and actually prevents men using their rifles when circumstances admit of this being done with advantage. We have learned that volley firing can hardly be employed when troops are in extended order or exposed to a heavy fire. We have learned that a judicious use of the magazine by small bodies of men at long ranges may often produce important results.

We have learned—sometimes by very bitter experience—that while opportunities occasionally occur for highly-trained experts to fire at long ranges, it is skillful snap shooting at the shorter ranges which is most constantly required, and upon which the result of battles in the future will, as far as we can now see, depend.

While, therefore, I most thoroughly appreciate the usefulness of careful target practice, I earnestly commend the necessity of gradually introducing such changes as will admit of shooting being carried on more in accordance with modern warfare than at present it is.

I feel sure that this is absolutely essential if our soldiers are to be on a par with those of other nations.

For improvements in other respects we must make commanding and company officers, and also musketry instructors, clearly understand that good shooting is not acquired alone by practice on the range, but that men must be taught in the barracks square to handle their rifles with ease and confidence before proceeding to the range; and that, while fire discipline is as essential as ever, the aim of all teaching must be to secure the prompt interpretation of signals and intelligent individual action when opportunity offers.

Lord Roberts also stated what are the efforts being made to improve shooting in the Army.

The number of rounds allowed for practice has considerably increased, and additional ammunition has also been provided for the training of recruits and Volunteer cadet battalions.

Then ninety-five new ranges have been completed during the last eighteen months, and twenty-two more are in course of construction, while to meet the difficulties attendant on suitable open ranges in populous districts, plans for safety and miniature ranges, largely made use of by other European Powers, have been approved.

Safety and miniature ranges may now be as useful as open ones, but they are a long way better than no ranges at all, men can become good shots by careful practice at them.

I think, too, that such ranges close at hand, where they can be constantly used, must contribute more to efficiency than an open-air range at a distance.

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**General Memoranda.**

SUNDAY, September 7. - Goods per *Norfolk* not cleared at 1 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, September 8. - Re-opening of Bellini Public School. Goods per *Pembroke* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, September 9. - Transfer Books of The Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 15th September, inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, September 10. - 10 a.m. - Auction of the Lease of Lot 61 of the British Concession, Shantou, Canton.

THURSDAY, September 11. - 11.30 a.m. - Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.



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#### BIRTHS.

On the 29th July, at 40 Dudley Villa, Northwood Road, Highgate, London, the wife of Ernest W. Neuberger, of Selangor, F.M.S., of a Son.

On August 30, at 'Rudleigh,' Singapore, the wife of George Brinkworth, of a Son.

#### MARRIAGES.

At the Netherlands Hotel, Penang, on Sunday, 24th August, ANNETTA GRUTZ to ZARDEL SIEPERA.

On the 28th July, at St. Jude's Church, Southsea, by the Rev. Roland Kerrington, vicar of Heston, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, assisted by the Rev. Willoughby Haines, Senior Chaplain to the Forces at Portsmouth, Major GOREY LAURENCE HIBBERT, D.S.O., of the King's Own Regiment, youngest son of Mr. Leicester Hibbert, of Crofton Grange, Orpington, Kent, to MAURA, youngest daughter of the late Lieut. General Edmund Faunce, C.B., and Mrs. Faunce of Funch, Southsea.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.15 p.m.

**The China Mail**

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1902.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**Interpret Rifle Match.**

The Interpret Rifle match between Hongkong, Shanghai, Singapore and Penang will be shot for this year on a date between the 1st and 15th November, under the conditions as last year.

**An Excess of Passengers.**

Before Mr. Hazland, at the Magistrate's Court, this morning, Chin Kow Tai, master of the steam launch *Koway Lok*, was fined \$50 for carrying thirteen passengers, on the 2nd inst., in excess of the number allowed by his license.

#### The British Academy.

His Majesty the King has granted a charter incorporating a British Academy for the promotion of historical, philosophical, and philological studies. It consists of forty-nine Fellows, and scarcely any British scholar of the first rank is absent. The Fellows elect the President and Council among themselves.

#### Irish Agitators.

Messrs. John Redmond, J. Dillon, and M. Davitt, who will represent the United Irish League at the Convention of the American Branch of the League, to be held at Boston on October 20 and 21, will leave Queenstown on October 11. It is expected that they will also address eight or ten meetings in the largest cities in the United States, but they will not make a prolonged tour.

#### Leaving Service without Notice.

At the Magistrate's Court, Cheong Choi Lam, houseboy, was charged by Mr. J. M. da Costa, clerk in the Post Office, with leaving his service at 34 Peel Street and with stealing a \$5 note. The charge was heard by Mr. J. H. Kemp, who convicted the accused of leaving service without giving notice and fined him \$10 with the alternative of fourteen days imprisonment.

#### Lecky the Historian.

The eminent historian, the Rt. Hon. William E. Lecky, P.C., has made public his intention to retire from Parliament in October. Mr. Lecky is one of the two members representing Dublin University. He has held the seat in the Unionist interest since 1895, and at the last General Election in 1900 he was returned unopposed with Sir Edward Carson, Conservative. It is looked upon as certain that the Liberals will contest the seat. Mr. Lecky, who is sixty-four years of age, will devote himself wholly to literature.

#### Music at Hongkong Hotel.

By kind permission of Major Berger, and Officers, the Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening, from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. - March 'Strolling Round the Town' Menzer Overture. 'French Comedy.' 'Bella Selection.' 'Rose of Persia.' 'Sullavan Valse.' 'The Shop Girl.' 'Bucalossi Euphonium.' 'The Pilgrim of Love' Bishop Selection 'The Belle of New York' Kerkor LIRA. Barn Dance. 'Plantation Dance' Hall GOD SAVE THE KING.

#### The Russians at Newchwang.

A Peking correspondent writes to the N.C. Daily News:—A gentleman who recently visited Newchwang says the Russians are making all preparation for their retirement from Manchuria at an early day, and expresses the belief that they will do so. At the same time he admits that they are not likely to give up some of the places on which they have spent considerable sums, such as Newchwang and Tientsin Bay, nor to retire without some sort of equivalent for what they had required here, nor even then to make an absolute relinquishment of their claims upon that country. Notwithstanding these 'preparations,' it will require a great deal of evidence in view of recent events and past history to convince most observers that there will be any proper 'retirement' till they see the movement actually begun. In fact the presumption at present is, all the other way. The claws will be sheathed while the clutch will be maintained, and Tibet will probably be the quid pro quo for the sheathed claw.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

##### Notes by the Way.

Mrs. Lovell has won the Tennis Championship of Singapore.

Queen's College re-opens on Monday for the Michaelmas Term.

The King's yacht is being escorted by the cruiser *Crescent* in the tour round the British Isles.

It is notified that Sir Antony MacDonnell will be appointed to the India Council for 1903.

On the arrival of the *Hurdie* at Gibraltar, the Indian troops landed for a few hours and were shown the sights.

The death is announced at Saigon of Mr. W. Kindermann, who was formerly in Singapore with Messrs. Hooglandt & Co.

Singapore mortality returns for the week ended August 23 show a ratio per mile of 42.54, the total number of deaths being 197.

Mr. Edison, the great inventor, is said to take great pains and pride in his handwriting, which is a marvel of neatness and legibility.

In the Madras Regatta on the 29th ult., the Calcutta representatives won all three events easily, namely, the Four, the Sculls and the Pairs.

It is stated that Lord Roberts and Mr. St. John Brodrick have received an invitation from the German Emperor to visit the forthcoming Army manoeuvres.

There will be an exhibition of Service guns and projectiles at the Coronation Bazaar at Delhi; probably also other Military trophies of historical interest.

Princess Ena of Battenberg enjoys the distinction of being the only Royal child born in Scotland since the far-away days, three centuries ago, when Charles I. was exiled.

Mr. Eric Watson, author of 'The Law Relating to Cheques,' accompanies the Hon. Mr. C. P. Layard, the Chief Justice of Ceylon, to Colombo in October next, as Private Secretary.

#### Singapore's Water Famine.

On the 20th August, Singapore had only 30 days' supply of water. It had been decided, should the drought continue, to curtail the public supply to one hour in the morning and one hour in the evening. It was proposed to use sea water for watering the streets.

#### A Dangerous Chinaman.

Lok Yeung, an unemployed Chinaman of no fixed place of abode, was brought before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistrate's Court charged with having two revolvers and 100 rounds of ammunition without giving the necessary license. He was fined \$5, with the alternative of fourteen days in prison. The arms and ammunition were forfeited.

#### Raub.

A telegram from Raub, dated August 29, states that the August returns are 2,960 tons stone realized \$110 oz. smelted gold. The small quantity of stone crushed is accounted for by the fact that owing to an accident at the Electrical Power Station the electric-battery ran for only three weeks. The average of gold per ton of stone crushed, viz. \$245 2/5, is not to be taken as indicating a better grade of ore, as gold obtained from cleaning the plates at the steam battery is included in the above return.

#### Sightseers at Westminster.

A London telegram states:—Westminster Abbey has been opened to the public on the payment of six-pence per head; and thousands are flocking to view the decorations. The string of visitors awaiting their turn for admission extended beyond the state gallery, a distance of over a mile.

#### An Expensive Dress.

In this climate the mention of expensive furs can give rise to no envy in the feminine breast. There need be no hesitation therefore in quoting the appendix:—When spangled embroidery was, by no means common, Mrs. Mackay had a ball-gown lavishly ornamented with real gold sequins, made specially for her, at costly price, and her black fox fur mantle was the envy of all other women. It was composed of 10,000 separate skins, and cost £3,000. This quite throws into the shade Sara Bernard's celebrated crinoline wrap, made of 200 skins. The outside was of white satin, with 1,800 turquoises in the handsome jewelled border, and it was valued at £1,000. Of course, no private lady's fur can approach in value the superb set of sables presented to the Dowager Empress of Russia on her Coronation by the town of Vikoutsk. These only weigh sixteen ounces, and are worth £12,000.

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#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

##### Wesleyan Church.

The usual services will be resumed in the Military and Naval Church, Wanchai, on Sunday next, at 10.15 in the morning and at 6.15 at night. Mr. Bone and the stewards will be glad if regular worshippers will take note of this, as it is difficult to inform each separately.

##### The Metric System.

At the last meeting of the Singapore Municipality, Mr. Mr. MacLaren moved that Government be informed that, should the Imperial Government take steps for the gradual abolition of the present system of British weights and measure and the introduction of a metric system instead, such action would be heartily welcomed by the Municipality. The motion was agreed to unanimously.

##### 'Rijon Maru' Aground.

Mr. A. S. Mahan, local manager of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, informs us that he is in receipt of telegraphic advices from Japan stating that the s.s. *Rijon Maru*, which left Hongkong on the 25th ult., bound for Seattle (Wash.) via ports, grounded near Quelpart Island on the 2nd inst., while on the voyage from Shanghai to Moji, but has since refloated and has put in at Port Hamilton, whether assistance is being sent. The cargo, mails, and passengers are reported safe.

##### The Domestic Cat.

The Egyptians seem to have been the first to cultivate the house cat. They elevated it to a religious cultus, of which some interesting details are given by the Paris *Figaro*, apropos of a little bronze statuette of the goddess Bast, in Lower Egypt, which is nothing more nor less than a delicately executed figure of a house-cat of twenty-four centuries since. The name of the cat-goddess was Basti, and she was in some way related to the sun. Her cultus flourished most in the East of the Delta.

##### Mr. Mortimer O'Sullivan.

As a passenger on the N.D.L. steamer *Prinz Regent Luitpold* on his way to Shanghai was Mr. Mortimer O'Sullivan, well known in China three or four years ago. Since he was last in the Far East, Mr. O'Sullivan has served with Berhane's Mounted Infantry in the Natal army, becoming a corporal in that famous fighting corps, and winning the South African medal. He returns to China as representative of the *Morning Post*, and his numerous friends up north will be glad of an opportunity of renewing old friendships.

##### A Fast Russian Cruiser.

A new fast cruiser is now being built in the Baltic ship-building yards at St. Peterburg. She is intended for scouting purposes and for carrying despatches to and from the Russian Pacific Squadron, and will also be used by the Governor of Kwantung for his sea voyages. She will be of 300 registered tons, fitted with 13,000-horse power engines, and capable of developing a speed of 25 knots. The vessel will be armed with quick-firers and torpedoes, and will carry a complement of 400 men. After her completion, which it is hoped will be effected in the course of next year, the new cruiser is to be immediately despatched to the Far East. It is then proposed to build another cruiser of similar type, for service with the other Russian Squadrons.

##### The French in Siam.

The Paris correspondent of the *Standard* wrote on the 4th ult.:—I am justified in saying that if the French would withdraw their garrison from Chantabun, the Siamese Government would be willing to satisfy all the legitimate demands of the French Government, as it would be a palpable proof of the sincerity of its desire to live on good neighbourly terms with Siam. The French have complained bitterly that the Siamese Government, while employing so many Englishmen, Germans, Belgians, and persons of other nationalities, in its administration, employed no Frenchman. It would demand in this respect equality of treatment with England. So far as I have been able to ascertain, it will be rather difficult to satisfy the French in this respect, for they would not be content with the promise that French officials should be engaged as vacancies might occur. It is scarcely reasonable to expect that the Siamese Government should create posts for a batch of French functionaries, since a German is at the head of a railway department, and the Bangkok police are chiefly British subjects, and officered by Englishmen. The French Government would like to have some department of the Siamese Administration placed under the direction of Frenchmen. The Siamese Government is, I believe, well aware of this fact, and has quite recently enlisted the services of a French sanitary engineer. Though there are numerous differences existing between the two countries, there is a sincere desire on the part of both Governments to arrive promptly at an amicable settlement of all of them.

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#### TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS'S SERVICES.]

##### THE ALGOA BAY GALE.

London, September 3rd, 1902. All the wrecks at Algoa Bay are foreign, with the exception of one. About seventy lives have been lost.

##### THEIR MAJESTIES AT STORNOWAY.

Their Majesties King Edward and Queen Alexandra have visited Stornoway. They had a most enthusiastic reception.

##### THE MARTINIQUE DISASTERS.

Steamers from Martinique report that the village of Morne Rouge was overwhelmed in an instant by the terrific storm of scalding water and mud from the volcano, and that not a single survivor is to be found. The village of Youfa-Bouillon was struck by a river of mud and stower of stones, and likewise overwhelmed. The eastern side of the island for over a mile inland is sunk in the sea. An official telegram received in Paris states that five villages were destroyed by the eruption of Mount Pelée on Saturday night. The head of the Martinique Government has notified refugees from previous eruptions that unless they return to their homes before the 15th instant, no assistance in re-starting life will be given them.

##### ILLNESS OF THE TSARITSA.

It is officially announced that the Tsaritsa has had a miscarriage, but that there are no complications.

##### TYPHOON WARNING.

Mr. W. A. Rublee, U. S. Consul-General, sends us the following telegram:—

Manila Observatory, September 4, 9 o'clock p.m. New depression off the E. of N. Luzon.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 5th at 11.50 a.m. The depression has passed to the West of Nagasaki and is now moving NE in Korea Straits. Pressure remains low also over the Pacific to the NE of Luzon, where another depression is probably forming. The barometer has risen in N. China, fallen over Luzon. Moderate N. to NW winds along the China coast and over the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Moderate N. winds; fine.

##### The Coronation Committee.

The Members of the Coronation Committee will attend at the Legislative Council Chamber, at noon, on Saturday, 6th inst., when the memento of the 'turning of the first sod of the King's Park will be presented to H.E. The Officer Administering the Government. Lady Gascoigne will be present, and ladies are also invited to attend.

##### St. Peter's and St. Paul's.

St. Peter's is the 'biggest' building in the world. St. Paul's could be placed inside the great cathedral of Rome without blocking the way through. St. Peter's stands on an area of two hundred and forty thousand square feet, with a front four hundred feet broad and a length inside of six hundred feet. The cost of building the cathedral was three and a half millions sterling—five times as much as the cost of St. Paul's. The Vatican, which can hardly be called a single building, has eleven thousand apartments, approached by two hundred staircases; and there is a monastery in Madrid which has twelve thousand windows and doors. But they can hardly be called single buildings; and, bearing this distinction in mind, the biggest building in the world is the Church of the Pope in Rome.

##### Master Attendant at Singapore.

By the *Polytechnic* on 31st August Captain Crauford, R.N., Master Attendant, left Singapore, going home on six weeks' vacation leave, to be followed by two months' leave on half-pay, at the end of which period, it is understood that he will resign. In view of this the subordinate officers of the Marine Department made an interesting presentation to Captain Crauford, as a token of the esteem in which they have always held him. The gift took the form of a large basket of dragon pattern, plush-lined, and inscribed on the lid with Capt Crauford's name, the whole enclosed in a teakwood case. An illuminated address of nautical design accompanied the basket, and this was read to Captain Crauford by one of the Boarding Officers in the presence of the Marine Office staff. Captain Crauford said in reply that he thanked them all for their kind wishes and for the presentation, which was an unexpected one. He had always tried to do his duty to them and he trusted he had succeeded. His thanks were due to them for their loyal support to him during his tenure of office, and he wished them all health, prosperity and happiness. Heartily cheers for Captain Crauford were then given. Captain Crauford went to Singapore from Mauritius in 1888 to take up the position of Master Attendant, and since that time he has filled this position with conspicuous ability and has earned the esteem of the community by his courteous and considerate manner.

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The following is the Report for presentation to Shareholders at the Fifth Ordinary Meeting to be held at the offices of the General Managers on Monday, 15th inst.:—

The General Managers beg to submit a Statement of Accounts covering the period from 15th July 1901 to 31st July 1902.

After deducting \$50,000 paid as Interim Dividend the balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account is \$113,405.05, which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 6 per cent making 13 per cent for the year ... \$75,000.00  
To write off Depreciation account ... 30,000.00  
To carry forward to credit of next year's account ... 8,405.05  
\$113,405.05

Consulting Committee.—During the temporary absence of Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Mr. R. C. Wilcox has joined the Committee, and his appointment requires confirmation at this meeting. Messrs. A. Haupt and R. C. Wilcox retire, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Auditor.—Accounts have been audited by Mr. W. Hutton Potts, who offers himself for re-election.

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#### THE CRY OF THE CIVIL SERVANT.

The question of officering the over-sea dominions of the King with the right kind of administrators is a serious one for the Mother Country, as it is for the Colonies. In these days, when the death of strong men at home is so alarmingly apparent, it is a grave matter that the best of our native talent is absorbed by the outlying portions of the Empire, seeing that the Home Country is the heart of the British organism, and a mortal wound inflicted on the heart would make mute the music of the whole body. With Lord Curzon in India, and Lord Kitchener soon to be sent there; Lord Milner in Africa, and Sir Arthur Lawley to go to his assistance; Lord Cromer in Egypt; Sir Harry Johnston, a round dozen men of the first rank of his calibre already employed across the seas or about to be, the drain on our best ability is enormous. But it is essential that for all highly important Colonial posts the best men should be retained. It is essential that their subordinates, the rank and file in the Civil Service, should also be men of high attainments. If the Government would consent to go out of the official groove and give tried and sound Imperialists who have not been trained in the Civil Service a chance of showing their paces, we are sure they would be surprised at the result. We could mention a hundred names, names of men who have devoted themselves strenuously to national affairs, who might be trusted to serve the Empire with success and distinction if they were only given the chance. In the case of Lord Tennyson, the Government did venture to go out of the rut; but then Lord Tennyson, who has amply justified Mr. Chamberlain's confidence, bore a name regarded with intense pride and affection by the whole Empire, by the entire English-speaking world, in fact.

The question, so far in any case as the more subordinate positions are concerned, has presented itself this week in an acute form. Lord Milner is rightly determined to officer the Civil Service of the new Colonies with the very best men he can procure. He has succeeded in getting as his second in command a man of high attainments, a man of tact, and a real good fellow. In choosing the rank and file we are entirely of the opinion that loyal South Africans should have the preference. But unhappily, apart from the question of men available the question of the adequate remuneration of these men presses heavily upon the Administration. Heuter has transmitted certain figures which go to show—the facts are well within the knowledge of our readers—that the salaries offered are such that a man cannot support himself upon the income allowed him with comfort, much less with dignity. It is essential that the British official should not be regarded as a 'poor white' by the more opulent Boer farmers; for we have every confidence many of our late enemies are still well endowed with this world's goods, or by the mining and industrial communities. A contemporary has pointed out that the salaries offered the officials are, such as 'an engineer's clerk or a mine secretary would regard as ridiculously insufficient.' As, then, in the matter of effective British settlement, this matter reduces itself to one of money, its calm reduction ought to convince those persons who imagine that the revenues of the Transvaal will suffice to pay any material degree, the expenses of the war, that this opinion is entirely erroneous. If it is translated into fact, the new Colonies must prove to be ghastly failures.—*Africa Review*.

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## MISSIONARIES IN CHINA.

(Continued.)

A copy of the *China Mail* on Monday last containing an article called a 'Plea for the stricter regulation of Missionaries in China,' and an admirable leader on certain aspects of the missionary question in this part of the Far East, was sent to me this morning, when my attention was drawn to certain statements which appear somewhat incomplete; perhaps also a little misleading.

My acquaintance with missionaries may be called extensive, and my knowledge of their methods of work has been gained by frequent travel and residence in country districts, where, if anywhere, this class of foreigners in China are likely to show the evil effects of inadequate official control. I venture to affirm unhesitatingly that missionary methods, ever susceptible of and ever undergoing improvement, admit of comparison by no means unfavourable as respects wisdom, foresight, and the adaptation of means and ends with the methods of other non-Chinese who are resident in China. Our mercantile methods are far from perfect, and he is a bold man who would declare unblushingly that the methods of our diplomatists leave nothing to be desired. Each class of strangers from the West, whether mercantile, diplomatic or missionary, is seeking to learn from the mistakes of the past, to understand more thoroughly the conditions of the present, and to proceed with whatever wisdom may be vouchsafed to its members, the future of the Chinese Empire in relation to the particular kind of activity that has brought them to these shores.

If successful study of the language, written and spoken, of the literature and history, of the manners and customs of the country, can fit the foreigners for service in China, and furthermore, if constant and close touch with the people can give insight and understanding of their race features, then the missionary occupies a vantage ground inferior to that of no other class that seeks to contribute in any degree, however humble, to the solution of the Chinese question.

I am glad to observe that your correspondent quotes with approval the wise missionary author Abbé Hue. Knowledge in 'things Chinese' has advanced rapidly since his days—thanks largely to writers like Dr. Williams, who, though occupying for many years an official position, was from first to last a missionary. Dr. Legge, the prince of translators in the Chinese classics, and Dr. Chalmers, the Lexicographer. These really great men, and other well known missionary writers, some of them now living, as for example Dr. Martin and Dr. Arthur Smith, are, I submit, the best exponents of missionary methods in China—and their views are worthy of attentive consideration. In the opinion of these men the missionary question is broad, many-sided and far-reaching. It is complex not simple. Christianity and western civilization—Christianity and western knowledge of all kinds—Christianity and a new code of ethics in official life—Christianity and wide social changes, these are the aspects of the missionary question that disturb, alarm, and antagonize. No statement of the problem is satisfactory which does not regard these wider issues of Christianity in the Empire, Religion, whether native or foreign, is a force acting in the centre of a nation's life and modifying all its forms. Life and religion touch each other at many points. In China it is difficult and sometimes almost impossible to tell which practices, manners or customs have a religious significance, and to what extent they are religious, so closely are life and religion bound together, mutually interwoven and compacted.

The task of the Missionary in China is to introduce a new force that may work in the centre of the family, social, political and national life, and re-model all its forms. From the missionary's point of view this is not a human but a divine task, and the missionary himself is a very weak instrument in bringing the divine purpose to pass. Its accomplishment may require large room and a long day, but the history of Christianity on the world with all its failures, as well as the successes it records, supplies in part an assurance for the future of missionary effort in China concerning the question which Christianity has awakened. I know of no convenient formula by which it may be summed up conveniently and finally.

Christianity in China means the putting in of the yeast which produces a ferment. If the causes of antagonism be even slightly analysed it will be found that the first impact of Christianity on all sorts and conditions of Chinese is calculated in one or other of its aspects to make many foes. Take for example the attitude of the highest of the official class. Christianity is on the side of justice and honour and honesty. It teaches a morality unattainable by the unpaid or underpaid native official who subsides and in most instances flourishes, on the squeeze and the emolument that pertains to his post. The I. M. Customs under Sir Robert Hart is a grand object lesson in official honesty; but it is not a lesson which the Chinese officials appreciate nor can they view with complacency the ethical standard. How do the literary class stand affected toward Christianity?

The chief question, between them and the Missionaries is focused in the title

of a small book on the missionary enterprise in China, by Mr. Macgowan of Amoy, 'Christ or Confucius; Which?' The vested interests of the great majority of native scholars are in the ancient literature, the knowledge of which gives to them position, honour and dignity. As Douglas says, 'In China the scholar is the uncrowned King,' and nowhere is it more true than in China that those who think will govern those who rule. To it to be expected that the Confucian scholar will be on the side of enlightenment and progress, or that he will not resist the demands which Christianity makes for the subjugation of intellect and conscience and heart? As for the toiling masses can it be matter for astonishment if they are taught by the officials and literati to view with apprehension the signs of a new time in China, and to connect these signs with the coming and work of missionaries? Illustrations lie close at hand. The emigrating trade of these southern provinces, where the navigable rivers and streams form a complete network, is in the hands of the boat population, and a journey of 200 miles up one of the great rivers gives a fair idea of the extent and importance of inland navigation by natives. Where rivers are fewer the sturdy olders of coolies are requisitioned to transport baggage and goods over inland roads. Western civilization in China is taking the form of railways. Many tens of thousands of people will soon lose their present means of subsistence, and it is not easy to persuade them, even if it suited their guides and leaders to enlighten the government people that the country will reap great advantages under a new order of things. They feel and are disposed to act very much as people did in England when machinery of all kinds was first introduced to take the place of hand-labour. In a period of transition, when the old order changes giving place to new, there are many traditions to the noble army of martyrs. Missionaries preach railways—they declare themselves on the side of western civilization in every form. They teach western science, and are bound to be in sympathy with whatever makes for the advance and uplifting of the race. Meantime, apart altogether from the hold which ancient faiths have on the race, the vested interests of each class conflict with the genius and spirit of Christianity.

There may be at times a tendency to understate the forces that are arrayed against the Missionary; on the whole, however, they have not been unduly exaggerated, and measured, and missionary methods have generally been marked by foresight and sagacity that, humanly speaking, deserve success. The great watchwords of the enterprise have been alleviation, conciliation, enlightenment, regeneration. Philanthropic efforts in hospitals and dispensaries have lessened the sum of human misery. The native press and educational institutions of all kinds have been used to give China of the best that the West has to bestow, and the aim of every activity is to lead up to the highest knowledge—God revealed in the person and work of a God-man Saviour for the race. The Missionary, in seeking the grand object of his life, is bound by loyalty to what he regards as the highest truth; in his methods, by the Apostolic dictum 'all things to all men.'

One thing is certain and cannot be gainsaid, so long as Christianity is a real force in Western lands the Christianization of the world will be a real endeavour of the Church. Her plans will be laid with increasing wisdom and foresight—requiring in their working out, as I trust, little or no official regulation—and my conviction is that Missionary work itself will advance steadily and quietly until the Kingdom of God—which cometh not with observation—is brought in here in China and throughout the world.

## English Cricket.

The following table shows the relative positions of the English counties in the cricket championship at 20th August—

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